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SUBJECT: RUMOURED PURCHASE OF IVORY COAST COFFEE BY  
BRAZIL

1. FINANCIAL TIMES OF AUGUST 13 CONTAINED ARTICLE  
TITLED "BRAZILIAN RUMOURS LIFT COFFEE" DATELINED RIO  
AUGUST 11.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

"TRADE SOURCES HERE AND IN SANTOS SAID THEY WERE UNABLE  
TO CONFIRM NEW YORK RUMOURS THAT BRAZIL BOUGHT AROUND  
20,000 TONS OF COFFEE FROM THE IVORY COAST, REPORTS  
REUTER. THEY HAVE ONLY HEARD THE RUMOURS FROM OVER-  
SEAS AND HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET ANY INFORMATION ON  
THE SUBJECT FROM BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES.

"THE GOVERNMENT TRADING COMPANY, INTERBRAS, IS ALSO  
REPORTED TO BE STUDYING OFFERS TO BUY ABOUT 10,000 TONS  
FROM MADAGASCAR.

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"OUR COMMODITIES STAFF WRITES: LATE LAST MONTH TRADE SOURCES IN ABIDJAN SAID THAT BRAZILIAN NEGOTIATORS WERE THERE TO SEEK SUCH A DEAL AND SR. CAMILLO CALAZANS, THE BRAZILIAN COFFEE INSTITUTE PRESIDENT, YESTERDAY CONFIRMED THAT BRAZIL INTENDS TO BUY WHATEVER COFFEE SHE CAN ON THE WORLD MARKET TO SUPPLY ITS OWN SOLUBLE INDUSTRY.

"SOME LONDON DEALERS WERE NEVERTHELESS SCEPTICAL ABOUT THE REPORTS, SAYING THAT THEY COULD NOT SEE WHY THE IVORY COAST SHOULD WANT TO SELL COFFEE TO BRAZIL.

"HOWEVER THE RUMOURS PUSHED UP PRICES IN NEW YORK AND LONDON WHERE THE NOVEMBER FUTURES POSITION CLOSED 37.5 POUNDS STERLING HIGHER AT 1,473 POUNDS STERLING A TON. TRADE SENTIMENT IN LONDON APPEARS TO REMAIN BASICALLY "BULLISH" DESPITE THE CONTINUED LACK OF CONSUMER BUYING."

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